

REMARKS

This response supplements Applicants' response filed on December 14, 2006, which is incorporated in its entirety.

In the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed March 23, 2007, the Examiner noted that the status of at least one claim in the claim listing submitted in Applicants' December 14, 2006, Amendment was incorrect. Applicants have reviewed the status of the claims and request that the claim listing appearing on pages 2-8 of this Amendment replace all prior versions of the claims.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request the reconsideration and timely allowance of the pending claims. Should the Examiner feel that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of this response; the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative to expedite prosecution.

In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, authorization to charge such fees is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.

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